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By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th January, 1936

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February to SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors
V. M. GRAYBURN,
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Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1936.

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Taikoo Sanatorium	1,000
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Taimoshan	2,124
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Amusement
Cinema Notes

"THE LITTLEST REBEL"—
KINGS AND ALHAMBRA
THEATRES

Irresistibly decked out in crime-lives sweetest, happier and funnier than ever before, Shirley Temple returns to play her first great dramatic role in "The Littlest Rebel" in this picture. Adapted from the never-to-be-forgotten play, "The Littlest Rebel" presents Shirley Temple with the opportunity to act scenes of genuine pathos and drama which the marvellous child actress carries off in her usual easy manner.

The songs Shirley sings include that immortal favourite, "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms" and "Polly Wolly Woodie," which was especially composed by Sidney Clare and B. G. DeSylva.

A series of tap dances, performed with her old partner, Bill Robinson, are among the high-spots of the picture. John Boles, Jack Holt and Karen Morley are prominent in the supporting cast of the picture, directed by David Butler.

"PETER IBBETSON"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

This picture tells of the love of a boy and girl separated in early childhood and reunited years later just long enough to discover that their devotion to each other is that all that each one lived for. After their meeting they never see each other again, but their love brings them together in their dreams until death carries them away united.

This idyllic romance is perfectly portrayed by Ann Harding and Gary Cooper, while Ida Lupino, John Halliday, Douglas Dumbrille and Virginia Weidler give excellent support.

Henry Hathaway, who also directed "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer," directed the picture and tells the story charmingly and effectively.

"THE NITWITS"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Combining fast-stepping music and spine-tingling thrills with their own insane brand of hilarity, "The Nitwits," Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey's newest comedy hit, is different to anything they have done heretofore.

The elements of melodrama and musical comedy are so lavishly each could be the basis of an individual production. In keeping with the atmosphere of Tin Pan Alley, that traditional birthplace of America's popular songs, "The Nitwits" introduces these new melodies: "You Opened My Eyes," "The Black Widow Will Get You If You Don't Watch Out" and "Music in My Heart."

"STRAIGHT FROM HEART"—STAR THEATRE

With Roger Pryor featured in the picture, as the man whom she will win if she thinks only of herself, Miss Astor is confronted with one of the most perplexing problems ever devised for the screen or experienced in real life, and her solution of it supplies one of the highlights of the film. Universal produced the photoplay in response to the demands of thousands of fans who requested that Baby Jane be given a bigger role following her exceptional work in "Imitation of Life." "The Man Who Reclaimed His Head" and other pictures.

A city day nursery is the central scene of action in the film which tells a story of modern day politics and their relation to problems of the times. Baby Jane is the pivotal character of the story and in this role proves herself one of the most brilliant and outstanding child players in pictures. She is the youngest player speaking lines on screen to-day. Other members of the cast include Carol Coombe, Robert McWade, Henry Armetta, Doris Lloyd, Andy Devine, Grant Mitchell, Louis Carter and other popular players.

ELECTRICITY BONDS

Wimborne electricity users who paid promptly received a 25 per cent discount on last December quarter's account.



One of the newer and more original versions derived from the Greek source is shown in this white and silver lame gown of fluid lines worn by Helen Wood, the screen actress. The keynote of simplicity is carried out in the shoulder straps of beaded material, and a narrow girdle of the same.

WEDDING AT
CATHEDRAL

O'Brien — Strahan

LOCAL DOCTOR'S DAUGHTER
WEDS NAVAL OFFICER

A wedding of great interest was solemnised yesterday afternoon when Miss Elizabeth Strahan, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S. Scguin Strahan, became the bride of Lieut. Brian E. O'Brien, who is attached to H.M.S. Persens of the 4th Submarine Flotilla.

The Rev. E. W. Baines officiated at the ceremony. The bride, who entered the Church on the arm of her father, looked charming in a white crepe nousse wedding gown, set off with a long tulle veil held in place by an organdie and orange-blossom head-dress. She carried a sheaf of arm lilies.

The brides Betty Gerrard, Rosalie Alabaster, Elizabeth Monkton and Barbara Hance, as bridesmaids, wore blue moire gowns and carried posies of pink gladioli.

The bride's mother chose a navy blue silk ensemble. The duties of best man were undertaken by Lieut. E. F. P. Cooper, of H.M.S. Persens.

Many friends of the newly-wed couple were present at a reception held after the ceremony in the Hong Kong Hotel.

Lieut. and Mrs. O'Brien are leaving for Canada to-day by the Empress of Canada.

You Cannot Defy Age
But You Can Defer It

A London paper recently reported that two elderly people had met their deaths through indulging in too violent exercise. In the first case a man of seventy was drowned whilst bathing, the other reference to a woman of seventy-three who collapsed after playing tennis.

With advancing years the strain of physical exercise becomes greater, and age is the surest of women who respects the limitations imposed thereby. Much may be done, however, to preserve mental vigor by reasonable physical and mental activities and maintaining the blood in good condition.

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SUBURBAN
LIVES

CONDITIONS THAT
WOULD WEAR DOWN
EVEN CLEOPATRA

Narrow Drudgery And
Monotony

DEADENING EFFECT ON MANY
YOUNG WOMEN

The "narrow" and monotonous life of young wives in suburbia was referred to by Mr. Wilson Harris at the conference of Educational Associations at University College, London, recently.

"What sort of life is being led by the young wife living in a suburban villa whose husband's income is £400 to £500 a year?" he asked. "There is no use pretending that her domestic life does not entail a great deal of drudgery and monotony."

"It is a tremendous problem to know how to prevent the lives of these young women from getting narrower. Age could not wither Cleopatra nor custom stale her infinite variety, but the one-maid villa in Wembley would have done it in 18 months."

He would like to see an inquiry scientifically carried out in a dozen centres to discover how young suburban wives spent their afternoons. He would like to know what sort of books they read, whether they read a newspaper in a critical or credulous spirit, and what they listened to on the radio.

"The future depends on whether young women leave school determined to continue their education, or whether they are going to their villas to read their Elinor Glyn, watch their Ramon Navarros, and listen to jazz on the wireless," Mr. Harris added.

PRISONER DIES IN
GAOL HOSPITAL

Inquest And
Verdict

DEATH FROM NATURAL
CAUSES

An inquest into the death of Li Kam-chung, aged 23, a prisoner in the Victoria Gaol, who died on Saturday night, was conducted by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy yesterday, assisted by the following jury:—Mr. E. O. Baker (foreman), Mr. A. M. Brags and Mr. B. T. Flanagan.

Chief Warder H. Barrett gave formal evidence.

Dr. G. Ingram Shaw, medical officer in charge of Victoria Gaol, stated he first saw the prisoner on October 24 a day after his admission and his condition was good. On January 24, the prisoner complained of toothache and swelling of the left jaw. He was admitted to hospital and his condition became worse. The jaw was opened on January 29 by a small incision. He was slightly better after this, but septicaemia set in and he died. The cause of death, in witness's opinion, was primarily alveolar abscess and, secondarily, septicaemia.

Dr. Shaw added that three teeth were removed on January 23 and the post-mortem examination revealed that the jaw was necrosed.

The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

ROUND THE WORLD
BY MOTOR-CYCLE

American Journalist
Now In Colony

Mr. Harry Hadley Rubinstein, an American lawyer and journalist, who is on his way round the world by motor-cycle, is now in Hong Kong and intends to leave on Saturday next for Saigon.

He will travel through Indo-China, Siam, and then the Straits Settlements to Singapore. From Singapore he intends to journey to Rangoon and then to India. After cycling through India he will continue on to Europe after first visiting some journalistic friends of his stationed

BRIDGE NOTES

Three Notrump
Responses

By Ely Culbertson

It is a great advantage to give your partner all possible information in the bidding and for this reason the new requirements for opening notrump bids show hands of 4-3-3 distribution and a definite limited number of honour-tricks. While these same honour-tricks and distribution limitations apply to a response of three notrump when partner has opened the bidding, the three notrump response is not nearly so valuable a bid. The new requirements are 3½ to 4 honour-tricks with 4-3-3 distribution, but despite a great amount of information which is given by this bid it should be avoided when a suit bid is available.

The reason for this is shown in the following deal where a three notrump response killed the Slam:

South Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

S. Q 10 4	N. S. 2
H. K 10 3	W. E. J 9 8 4
D. A 6 3	S. D. 10 8 7 4 2
C. A K 5 4	C. J 9
S. 9 8 7	S. A J 6 5 3
H. Q 7 5 2	H. A 5
D. K J 9	D. Q 5
C. 7 6 3	C. Q 10 8 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1S. Pass 3NT Pass
Pass Pass

South's opening bid of one spade was sound but nevertheless a minimum. When North responded with three notrump South could take very little constructive action toward reaching a slam. His spade suit was not biddable and he had no second biddable suit. He had minimum honour-tricks so he could not raise notrump. Therefore, with balanced distribution, he had practically no choice but to pass.

The Small Slam can be made in clubs, but the principal fault for failing to bid it must lie with North. True, he made a bid which showed the nature of his hand pretty well, but he still left South completely in the dark as to the suit in which he held four cards. This is the reason the three notrump bid should often be avoided on hands which contain a biddable suit.

North's proper response to the opening one-spade bid was three clubs. South would have raised the club suit to four, for his hand, though holding no additional high card values, has very good distributional support for clubs. Over four clubs North would have bid four notrump and upon receiving the conventional five notrump response from South, would have gone to six clubs.

In clubs a Small Slam can be made and should be bid. If East happens to open a diamond, then either of two finesse permits the hand to be made—the chance that the Queen of diamonds will win the first trick and, failing that, the finesse for the King of spades. If East opens any suit but diamonds, six clubs can be made without a finesse.

RECENT ADMIRALTY
APPOINTMENTS

China Station

Recent appointments by the Admiralty include the following to the China Station:
Capt. N. A. C. Hardy, to Har-aid (Jan. 31); and R. M. L. L. to Bruce, in command (immediate).
Engr. Capt. C. G. S. Slattery to Cumberland (Feb. 3); and J. J. Bonson to Dorsetshire (Feb. 13).
Lt. (E) E. H. S. Clark to Medway (Feb. 1).

In Ethiopia, England will be his final trip on the side of the Atlantic. After spending several weeks in London, Mr. Rubinstein will sail for New York, and from there continues his trip to the United States and Canada. The entire journey, Mr. Rubinstein stated yesterday, should take about a year.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 353 metres (885 K.T.).

RADIO OF THE CHINESE
CROUPIERS' SCHOOL

12.30 p.m.—Broadcast Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News.
1.40 p.m.—A Relay of the Rotary Club Time Speech from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.—The Rev. K. Makarrie, D.D., "Beneath the Bows of the Queen Mary."
2.10 p.m.—(Approx.)—Close Down.
4.5 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7.15 p.m.—Four Songs by Stuart Robertson (Baritone):
1. Myself When Young ("In a Persian Garden") (Lehmann).
2. Silent Noon (Vaughan Williams).
3. When Lights go Rolling (Ireland).
4. When Dull Care (Lane Wilson).

7.15-7.30 p.m.—Sonata No. 3 in E (Bach) played by Iside Henges (Violin) and Harold Sammel (Pianoforte).
7.30-7.40 p.m.—From the Studio. The 10th of a series of Educational Talks by Uncle Mac.
7.40-8 p.m.—Excerpts from "Yes Madam."
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report. Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.05-9 p.m.—From the Studio. Programme of German Music by the Band of the German Cruiser "Karlsruhe" by kind permission of Captain L. Siemens-Bandmaster G. Doerfler.
1. Goetterfunken—March. Rumohr.
2. Von Wien durch die Welt — Potpourri. Hrubý.
3. Grosse Zeit, neue Zeit Praesentiermarsch. Brase.
4. Geschichten aus dem Wiener Walzer. J. Strauss.
5. Alte deutsche Treue Marschpotpourri. Franzen.
6. Badeweller March. Fuerst.

9.35 p.m.—A Relay of the Deventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuters).
9.55-10 p.m.—A Light Concert.
Piano Solo—
My Heart stood Still ("One Dam thing after another").
Edythe Baker.

Song—
Ta Main (Hands across the Table).
Mlle. Lucienne Boyer.
Violin Solo—
The Child and his Dancing Doll (Gummy Heykins).
Albert Sandler.
Song—
Songs my mother taught me (Dvorak).
Dino Borgio (Tenor).
Vocal Duets—
I'll see you again ("Bitter Sweet").
Peggy Wood and George Metaxa.
Viola Solo—
Londonderry Air (arr. Tertis).
Lionel Tertis.

Songs—
Waiting you ("New Moon").
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).
Lover, Come back to me ("New Moon").
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).
Piano Solo—
I wait for you.
Mischa Spoliansky.

Song—
The World is mine to-night.
Webster Booth.
Violin Solo—
Pale Moon (Logan).
Albert Sandler.
Song—
The Fairy Tales of Ireland (Eric Carter).
East Afloat (Central).
Cymbalum Solo—
Red Rose.
Elec. Racer.

Instrumental—
Rakoczy March.
Colombo's Triangles.
10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10.11 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

CROUPIERS' SCHOOL
REOPENEDBusiness Improving
At Monte Carlo

Monte Carlo.—The school for croupiers at Monte Carlo has been revived. It is operating for the first time since 1923.

Eighty-four pupils are being instructed in the complicated calculations that a croupier's job entails. They are being watched 200-300 times a day. They have the right character for dealing with the "difficult" gamblers.

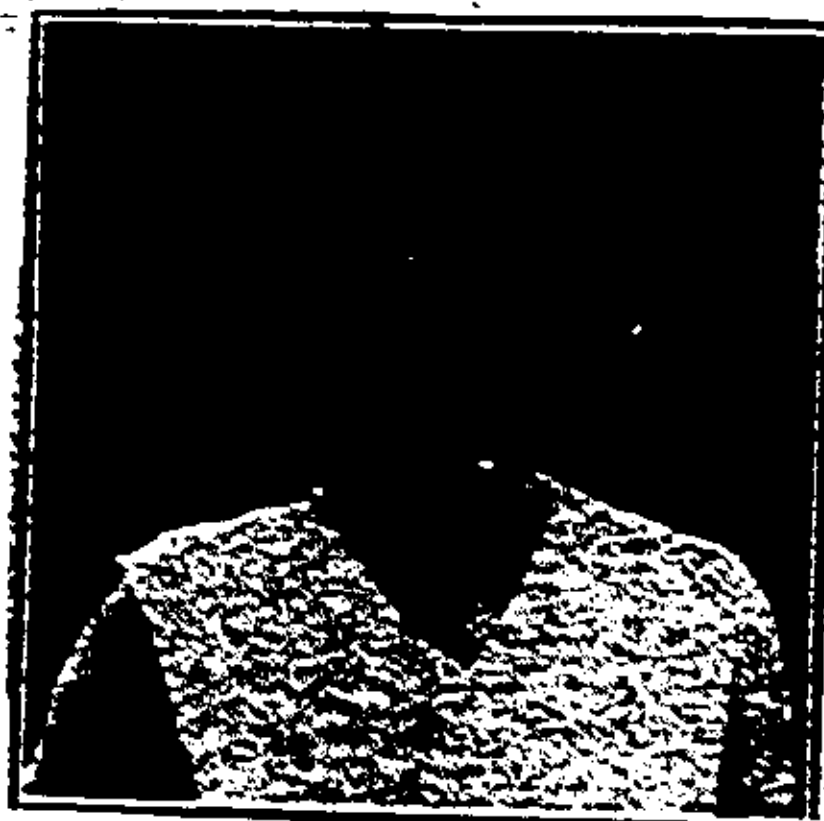
After a still remembrance a certain number will be chosen to work in the gambling rooms.



Sporting Page



MACAO'S OVERWHELMING HOCKEY VICTORY OVER SIGNALS



Miss B. M. Pope, above, the Hong Kong Ladies' and former Colony Interport centre-half, has returned from home leave, and will probably be seen in action soon.

UMPIRES' BOARD PROGRESS

More Applicants For Badge

INTERVAL CAUSES STANDSTILL

The Umpires' Board of the Hong Kong Hockey Association has been making steady progress since its inception, and splendid work was performed prior to the death of His late Majesty, King George V. but since the subsequent lull in local sport things have almost come to a standstill.

It was proposed to test six applicants for Umpires' badges during the Interport week against Macao, but this was unavoidably postponed.

Coming Tests

It is now proposed to test these six applicants during the forthcoming Interport practice matches and possibly during the earlier round of the International tournament, which commences towards the end of the current month.

Every applicant will be watched by two members of the Examiners' Board and every assistance will be given.

By the time the next hockey season commences, it is hoped to have at least 18 qualified umpires in the Colony.

U.S. ZONE IN DAVIS CUP

Only Three Teams To Compete

HARD TASK FOR AMERICA

London, February 31. The British Lawn Tennis Association to-day announced that only the United States, Australia, and Cuba would compete in the American zone of the Davis Cup challenge for 1936.

The Australian team will probably include such aces as Jack Crawford and Don Turnbull, hence the United States players will probably face the stiffest competition in years.

Twenty challengers will compete in the European zone, including China and Argentina, the Association announced.

K.L.T.C. TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW

The following will represent the Kowloon Indians' Tennis Club in their Mamak hockey encounter against H. M. S. Parthian on the Club ground to-morrow at 5 p.m.—

M. Ramzan; Karnail Singh, Kishan Singh; J. Noronha, Tara Singh, J. B. Pereira; D. Noronha, Afzal Khan, Awar Singh, J. B. Pinto and A. P. Souza.

"PLUM" WARNER'S NEW JOB

Mr. F. F. Warner has been appointed executive officer of the selection committee of the Folkestone Cricket Festival, and will be responsible for choosing the teams to play at this year's festival in September.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM ON VIEW

SELECTED LADIES TO MEET THE REST

TO-DAY'S INTERESTING CLASH

(By "Sticks")

THE outstanding feature of this week's hockey programme is undoubtedly this afternoon's encounter between the Colony Ladies' victorious Interport team and the Rest of the Colony, which will take place on the Sookunpoo military ground, commencing at 5 p.m.

It was at first feared that the Interport side would be incomplete as Miss S. Dalziel was laid up in bed as a result of her trip North, but she has, fortunately, recovered sufficiently to take her place in the eleven.

The Rest team have had to make one change from the players originally selected as Miss O. Dalziel, of the "Y" Ladies, has injured her foot and is unable to play. I understand that Miss H. Bockler, of the D.G.S., will deputise on the right wing.

Providing the weather keeps fine a very close game should be witnessed with the Interporters favourites by a small margin.

The strength of the Rest team seems to lie in their forwards—they have a fine inside trio in Miss J. Dalziel, Mrs. M. White and Miss A. Alves, while Miss Helen Knill will be making her second appearance this season in the outside-left berth.

Probably the most interesting aspect of this afternoon's encounter will be Miss Smith's performance on the right-wing, after the criticism levelled at her selection, prior to the trip North.

The teams are:—

Interport XI—Mrs. J. Lunson (H. K.); Miss E. M. Grey (H. K.) and Miss A. Fowler ("Y"), Miss E. M. Wong (St. Andrews), Miss E. M. Bryson (C. B. A.) and Mrs. M. Bell (H. K.); Miss M. Smith (C. B. A.), Miss S. Dalziel ("Y"), Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrews), Miss J. Adey ("Y") and Miss M. Westcott ("Y").
The Rest—Mrs. E. Rose (St. Andrews), Miss P. Woolley (C. B. A.) and Miss J. Smalley (H. K. Ladies); Miss I. Woolley (C. B. A.), Miss J. Thomson ("Y") and Miss K. Glover (H. K. Ladies); Miss H. Bockler (D. G. S.), Miss J. Dalziel (H. K. Ladies), Mrs. M. White (C. B. A.), Miss A. Alves (Becorio) and Miss H. Knill (H. K. Ladies).

"Y" LADIES LOSING MANY PLAYERS

FIVE LEAVING THIS SEASON

The "Y" Ladies' hockey section will be seriously weakened next season owing to departures from the Colony this year.

Among those who are leaving are Miss Joyce Adey, who secured Interport recognition in her first season here, Miss Violet Bradbury, the "Y" Ladies' junior captain, who departs on the 21st of this month, Mrs. "Billy" Henry, who leaves to-morrow for Shanghai, and Mrs. Read and Miss Ruth Ingram, who will be leaving the Colony later in the year.



Mr. G. T. Palmer, above, is the energetic Hon. Secretary of the Hockey Umpires' Board and one of the best Umpires in the Colony.

THE MISSES "R. & M." KING RETURN TO COLONY

Miss R. King, who returned to the Colony recently from Home, has been seen down at the Hong Kong Ladies' hockey practices, but it is very doubtful whether she will play this season. Her sister, Miss M. King, was a very recent arrival in the Colony from Singapore.



Miss M. King, above, will be seen at outside-left for the Rest against the Interport team this afternoon at Sookunpoo.



Capt. F. da Costa, above, founder of the Macao Hockey Club, refutes the statement that their hockey is on the decline.

COLONY BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Three Matches For To-day

ONLY ONE SENIOR GAME

Another full programme has been arranged in the open billiards championships (senior and junior sections) for this week when some very close games should be seen.

At the Sports Club this evening Chan Kai Yin will meet W. F. Stafford in the Second Round of the senior section. Chan beat W. R. Hillier in the first round, while Stafford eliminated Ho Shai Cheong.

In the junior section Cheng Kwai-leung and A. A. Lewis, who beat T. F. Jordan and R. E. Lee respectively in their First Round matches, meet at the Recreo, while a good game should be seen at the Engineers' Institute between Sergt. W. Solis and J. C. Remedios, Solis beat Y. L. Kwok in the First Round while Remedios qualified by beating C. Strange.

Below will be found to-night's programme:—

Senior
Chan Kai Yin v. W. F. Stafford at Sports Club.

Junior
Cheng Kwai-leung v. A. A. Lewis at Club de Recreo.
Sgt. W. Solis v. J. C. Remedios at Engineers' Inst.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TEAMS

Representatives To Be Selected On Thursday

The representatives responsible for the selection of the local international hockey sides will be selected at the meeting of the Council of the H.K.H.A. at the St. Andrew's Church Hall next Thursday.

Arrangements for the forthcoming Interport contest against Macao will also come up for discussion.

"Y" LADIES' LAST BROWN CUP ENCOUNTER

The "Y" Ladies' junior team will play their last Brown Cup encounter when they meet the Central British Association Ladies on the "Y" ground next Thursday, commencing at 5 p.m.



Miss E. M. Grey, the Hong Kong Ladies' right-back and captain, above, will probably lead the Interport team against the Rest of the Colony this afternoon at Sookunpoo.

TWO CHANGES IN THE MACAO SIDE

5-GOAL LEAD BEFORE THE INTERVAL

MACAO FORWARDS IN FINE FETTER

PLAYING an excellent standard of hockey throughout the game, the Macao Hockey Club beat the Royal Corps of Signals in a friendly match by 11 goal to 1 at Macao on Sunday. There were two changes in the Macao team, R. Rosario coming into the side in place of J. Rodrigues, their right-back, while V. Rosario deputised for F. Nolasco, who is now in the Flying School at Kai-Tak.

The Signals' team left Hong Kong at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday and were greeted, on their arrival at Macao, by a constant drizzle, which rendered the ground extremely slippery. The Macao players turned out in football boots, and therefore did not have much trouble, but the Signallers found it very difficult to keep their feet with rubber shoes on.

A feature of the game was the excellent combination of the Macao forwards, and their halves and backs played so well that their goalkeeper did not have much to do, though it must be said that the only ball that got past him, left him helpless.

MACAO HOCKEY STILL GOOD!

Interport Game Is Keenly Awaited

CAPT. DA COSTA REFUTES SUGGESTION

Although we have not had any official notification to that effect, we have been given to understand that the Interport hockey contest between Hong Kong and Macao, which had to be postponed on account of the death of His late Majesty, King George V, will be played here early in March.

In a conversation with a local player who made the trip to Macao recently, Capt. da Costa, the founder of hockey in Macao, said that he was looking forward, with every confidence, to the game, and refuted the statement, made by "Sticks," that the standard of hockey in Macao is deteriorating.



Miss E. M. Grey, the Hong Kong Ladies' right-back and captain, above, will probably lead the Interport team against the Rest of the Colony this afternoon at Sookunpoo.

MISS B. POPE RETURNS TO THE COLONY

Miss B. Pope, the former Interport and Hong Kong Ladies' hockey pivot, returned to the Colony recently and will probably be seen for the championships against the Central British Association Ladies in their vital Czer Clark Cup match in the near future.

DAVID PHILLIPS JONES PASSES

David Phillips Jones ("Ponty"), one of three Pontypool brothers famous in Welsh Rugby, died at the home at Llantarnam, of his brother. He was capped for Wales against Ireland in 1907. Jack Jones has 14 Welsh caps, and a third brother, Dr. Tuan Jones, was a captain.



Miss J. Adey, the "Y" Ladies' inside-left, above, is shortly leaving the Colony for Home after having spent a short holiday in Hong Kong and securing an Interport "cap" in her first season here!

NO MALAYAN OR SHANGHAI INTERPORT

Hockey Followers Out Of Luck

FINANCE AND LEAVE MAIN OBSTACLES

(By "STICKS")

Following the very successful Ladies' Interport hockey contest in Shanghai, several members of the Hong Kong Hockey Association have been sounded by me as to whether it would be possible to meet either Malaya or Shanghai next season, but their answers were very discouraging.

"So far as Malaya are concerned, it would be many seasons before we could hope to send up a side good enough to represent the Colony, and until such time arrives it would be best to forget anything about such a project," said one prominent member.

"Do More Harm"

"You will recall Mr. de Souza, the Hon. Secretary of the Singapore Hockey Association and manager of the victorious Malayan team which toured here and Macao, stating that unless Hong Kong were able to send up a team representative of their full strength, it would be folly to come to Malaya and would probably do more harm than serve a useful purpose."

"I quite agree with Mr. De Souza," said another.

Another member was asked whether it would be possible to send a team to Shanghai, but here, it was not so much the question of a representative side, as that of finance.

The H.K.H.A. are not in a position at present to send a team North and to guarantee expenses.

K.L.T.C. HOCKEY RUN BY RADIO?

Strange Position

It is strange, but nevertheless true, that the Kowloon Indians' Tennis Club hockey eleven is almost run by members of the Radio Sports Club as no less than five persons from the latter Club are intimately associated with the former.

They are Karnail Singh, K.L.T.C. full-back, K. Hossain Hon. Secretary, G. M. Khan, who has just returned from leave and who is a keen supporter of both Jahan Dad, former Hon. Secretary, and Awar Singh, who played for the Radio last season and who is still a member of their Club.

"Y" LADIES TO MEET RIFLES LADIES

The "Y" Ladies' first string are trying to arrange a hockey fixture with the Rifles of the Royal Ulster Rifles for this coming Saturday, on the "Y" ground, commencing at 5 p.m.

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Mamak League Tables To Date

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Radio	7	4	2	1	9	410
R. Engineers	7	3	2	2	13	58
K.L.T.C.	4	3	1	0	15	57
Argonauts	4	2	0	2	7	64
H.K. Police	5	1	2	2	2	64
Royal Signals	5	1	0	4	9	142
H.M.S.						
Parthian	3	0	1	2	4	121
St. Andrew's	1	0	0	1	0	50

SECOND DIVISION

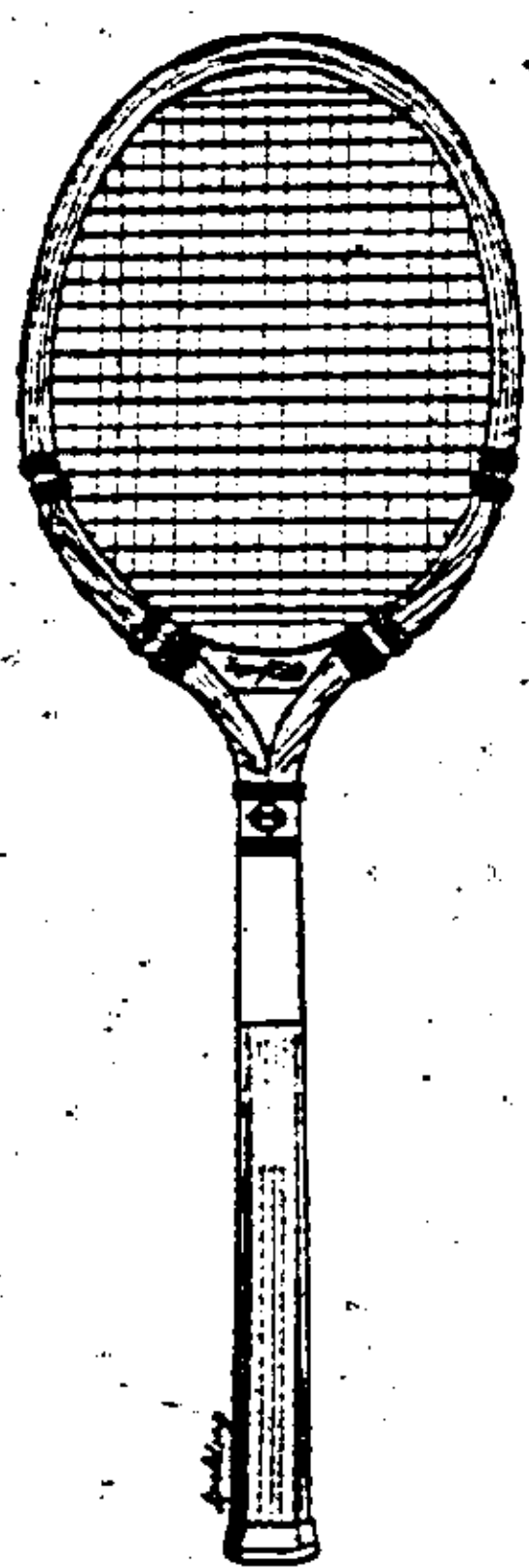
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
C.B.A.	8	8	0	0	35	418
R. Engineers	8	4	2	2	7	1010
12th Bty. R.A.	6	3	1	2	14	157
Nomads	6	1	2	3	11	154
Police (Indns)	4	1	1	2	3	103
Departmentals	4	1	0	3	3	72
Mule Corps	6	1	0	5	2	112

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TWO CHANGES IN THE MACAO SIDE

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The Signals made two or three breakaways, but they always found the Macao defence on the alert. May was a trifle unlucky not to have scored more than once, for he thoroughly deserved at least another goal.

Airosa In Lineup

Airosa, at centre-half for Macao, was in an irresistible mood, intercepting the Signals' passes with almost uncanny anticipation. Da Costa had the Signals right wing completely subdued, while the Macao forward line were brilliant, with Ramalho and P. Angelo outstanding.

For the Signals, Cox played an untiring game in the pivotal position, while in fairness to Dove it must be said that he had no chance with any of the eleven goals that went past him. He was unfortunate to sustain a cut on the forehead shortly after half time, when he collided with one of the Macao forwards. Wright was very hard-working at right-back but his partner, Smith, could not settle down owing to the slippery ground.

Macao—C. Capitular, R. Rosario, M. Cardoso, J. Nolasco, A. Airesa, L. da Costa, V. Rosario, P. Ramalho, P. Angelo, H. Rosario and A. Angelo. Signals—Sig. Dove, Sig. Wright, Sig. L. Smith, L. Col. Lancaster, Sig. Cox, Sig. Sinclair, Sig. Thomson, Sig. Shannon, Sig. May, Sig. Anstey and Cpl. Wainwright.

OXFORD GOLF BLUES FOR ANNUAL MATCH

Kenneth B. Scott, the Oxford golf blue, will, after all, be able to play in the annual match against Cambridge in March, and other Old Blues available are: A. A. Duncan (captain), T. C. Hanson-Lawson, R. G. de Quincy, T. O. H. Greenly, J. B. Shackell, and C. W. N. Plant.

BIDWELL FOR HONG KONG

To Stay In Colony
Indefinitely

According to the Shanghai press, H. D. Bidwell, the Shanghai Rugby Interport player, will be transferred to Hong Kong shortly and will stay here indefinitely. It will be recalled that Bidwell contributed in no small measure to Shanghai's victory in the recent Interport against Hong Kong.

WHITEHEAD 110 NOT OUT

Small Units Game
Yesterday

In the Small Units Cricket League at Sookmoo yesterday, the Headquarters Wing, East Lancashire Regiment beat the 7th Battery by 169 runs, thanks to fine knocks by Bdm. Whitehead (110 not out) and Bdm. Cox (82 not out).

H. Q. Wings—242 for 3 dec. 7th Battery—73 (Towers 22; Pte. Baker 4 for 14, Whitehead 3 for 18).

MIDLAND COUNTIES N. Z. GATE RECEIPTS

Each of five Midland County Unions will receive about \$454 from the pool of profits on matches played by New Zealand at Coventry and Leicester. There was a balance of \$482 from the game with the Combined Counties at Coventry and \$1,791 from the match with Leicestershire and East Midlands at Leicester.

CLAPTON'S NEW FULLBACK

Clapton Orient F.C. have secured the transfer from Grimsby Town of a full-back, C. Hardley, who has made one or two appearances with the League team.

"UNOMEE" UPHELD IN SELECTION OF CLUB XI

JACK RODGER BEST LEFT-HALF

McGUBBIN PREFERRED TO HAMILTON

"INTERPORTER'S" SAD LAPSE!

(To The Editor, "China Mail")

SIR, "Unomee's" eclectic eleven and "Interporter's" comments thereon intrigued me greatly. On the whole I am with "Unomee." As he emphasised, Jack Rodger was of most value at left-half: there was no question of his being superior or inferior to his brother as a goalkeeper.

I think "Interporter" was correct in substituting McCubbin for Hamilton. Previous to 1910, when each was at his best, there was, in my opinion little to choose between these players, but after 1910 A.T. faded away. I'd leave "Unomee's" half-back line intact. As a real classy footballer Railton was nowhere near Jack Rodger.

Manning Railton, than whom the Club never had a more enthusiastic trier, was at his best just before he went to the war, and even then he was never much more than a glorious basher, who went into the tackle like a typhoon. He was destructive, not constructive, with poor ball control, and against a wily forward like Forsyth his bull-like rushes would, more often than not, have carried him well past both ball and man.

Like McCubbin, Rodger wasted no energy, and, unlike Railton, he could, when the Club pressed, become a sixth forward and score goals. He could also propel the ball with his head to the wing or centre almost as well as Stewart could, an asset Railton never possessed.

In any case G. Rodger, in goal, and J. Rodger, at left-half, is a much better arrangement than J. Rodger, in goal, and Railton, at left-half. In building a team, combination is as important as individualism.

I was pleased to see that Cyril Wilkie was not forgotten by "Unomee." Before he went to sea Wilkie was rapidly developing into one of the most accomplished halves in the Colony with a style somewhat akin to that of Pote-Hunt.

What "Interporter" says about Wishart I heartily endorse; but did not Wishart play before 1910? Richmann, the Dutchman, was one of the most aggravating enigmas to be seen on any football field. Standing a good six feet and moulded on statuesque lines, with a rocket shot in either foot, a deft dribbler and splendid feeder of his forwards, Richmann unfortunately had two fatal weaknesses: he was timid, and had the very bad habit of standing with his back to the opponent's goal when he received what should have been scoring chances from his wings or halves, a fault that cost the Club many a goal and point.

Had Richmann possessed Coen's pluck and Begg's mobility and power, to dash through between the backs he would have been the complete centre-forward.

I was surprised to see "Interporter" put McTavish in his team and more than surprised to see that player at outside-left. In his heyday, before he developed a knee and recurrent cramp, McTavish was an inside-right with J. Hamilton as his partner. But "Hector of the twinkling feet," elusive swerve and lightning dash was fragile, especially against robust players, a dainty rogue in porcelain who relished a solid shoulder charge even less than Richmann did.

A good bump from a Manning Railton or a Syd Strange in the opening stages and Hector was innocuous for the remainder of the game.

"Interporter's" memory surely plays him false regarding Pennell. Not only does he place Pennell at inside-left but makes the astounding statement that Pennell never played anywhere else. I say "astounding statement" because any time I saw that robust Cornishman play (and I saw him often) he was either at centre-forward or outside-left, and a complaint about his play in the latter position was that his "crosses" across the goalmouth were too fierce.

I cannot recollect seeing him at inside-left, but I do remember heated arguments as to whether Pennell or Pincher of the R.F.A. (1913-14) was the Colony's best outside-left.

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Adolf Kiefer, the Chicago high school student Back-Stroke ace, stands head and shoulders above other Olympic swimming prospects since setting three new American records in as many days. His best performance was clipping three seconds off the 46.6 mark established 14 years ago by Johnny Weissmuller for the 75-yard back-stroke event.

YACHTING

La Linda Wins "A" Class Race

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S LADIES' EVENTS

The results of the Ladies' 3rd Extra Series yacht races held at North Point yesterday were as follows:—

"A" Class—Started 14.45
Finished Pos. Pts. Tm.
Carpenter, A1 16.39.29 8 5 17
(Miss L. C. Edwards)
Lobo, A2 16.23.19 3 10 31
(Mrs. E. R. Edwards)
La Linda, A5 16.38.56 7 6 20
(Mrs. M. G. Ketter)
Joss, A8 16.28.30 1 13 39
(Miss M. Larsen)
Gull, A9 16.30.40 4 9 26
(Mrs. L. Stanton)
True Blue, A11 16.29.05 2 11 32
(Miss E. Walker)
Pat, A12 16.38.12 5 8 22
(Mrs. I. C. Cowan)
Painted Lady, A14 16.38.55 6 7 20
(Mrs. E. Bocky)

"I Y & G" Classes—Started 14.35
Finisher Corr. Pos. Pts. Tm.
Stella, Y1 16.38.25 16.25.59 6 10 33
(Mrs. M. Ellerby)
Heron, Y3 16.37.49 16.25.23 5 11 23
(Mrs. E. Moore)
Widgeon, Y5 16.37.57 16.24.36 4 12 36
(Mrs. K. A. Bildebeck)
Zephyr, Y8 16.38.06 16.24.29 2 14 41
(Mrs. M. E. Hindson)
Sirius, Y7 16.40.02 16.20.30 1 16 48
(Mrs. G. E. Cooper)
Lois, Y9 16.42.55 16.24.34 3 13 24
(Miss C. M. Craynel)

"B" Class—Started 15.05
Finisher Corr. Pos. Pts. Tm.
Colleen, B2 16.39.28 16.35.18 2 5 9
(Mrs. B. Foley)
Bella, B3 16.38.19 16.26.19 3 4 16
(Miss B. M. Kirke)
Dorothea, B5 16.39.39 16.33.44 1 7 19
(Miss H. De V. Beauderck)

CLOSE FINISHES AT BILLIARDS

Silva Wins By Only 23 Points

No match in the Senior Billiards Championship were played last night, as that between, M. M. da Silva and F. A. Gill, which was scheduled to be played at the Civil Service Club, was postponed.

In the Junior Billiards Championship, F. E. Silva defeated Private E. Crabtree by 300 points to 277 at the South China Athletic Association, while at the Dockyard Recreation Club, Sergeant W. Solis beat J. C. Remedios by 300 points to 259.

BADMINTON POSTPONEMENT

The match between Recreio "A" and "B" teams scheduled for tomorrow has been postponed, and instead the postponed game between Recreio "A" and Elliot Hall "B" will be played to-morrow at Club de Recreio.

Indian Team Just As Good!

The following "classic" has not been "subbed":
Sir, There were much noise making by football fellows, what is this I shall not know it, but I like to joining the noises with good reason which is this, that Indian team as suggestion by me will, can and should beat any Club team last any year!

U. M. Omar, M. H. Abbas and A. Sabban; Y. Abbas, A. Hamid and S. A. M. Nephth; H. M. Omar, A. Hamet, E. A. Moodeen, O. M. Omar and J. Dyer.

PHILIPPINES HOLD OLYMPIC TRIALS

ILDEFONSO AND UKIRUM BOTH BEATEN

UNCONVINCING TIMES RECORDED

Manila, February 3.

TEOFILO Ildefonso, conqueror of Koike, world-famous Japanese breastroker, and Aadja-luddin Jikirim, two of the outstanding candidates for the Philippine Olympic swimming team to be sent to Berlin this year were defeated in their favourite events yesterday in the first of the Olympic tryouts staged at the Rizal Memorial Natatorium.

Arasad Alpad, crack Moro swimmer of the University of the Philippines, nosed out Ildefonso in the 200-metre breast stroke. He negotiated the distance in 2 minutes and 55 secs. Ildefonso placed second with a time of 2:55.3 minutes.

Jose R. Obial of the University of Santo Tomas defeated Jikirim in the 100-metre free style event by traversing the distance in 1 minute 3.1 secs., to place second.

David Montanez, new find of U.S.T., won the 400-metre free style with a time of 5:37.9 minutes. James Calloway, also of U.S.T., finished second. Poor records were made yesterday in the Olympic try-outs. The marks yesterday did not even approach the Far Eastern Games records.

INTER-CLUB GOLF

Shatin's Win Over Country Club

SINGLES DECIDE ISSUE

The annual Golf match at Shatin between the Shatin Golf Club and the Country Club was played on Sunday last and resulted in a win for the home team by 3 1/2 points.

Detailed results are as follows:—

SINGLES	
Shatin Golf Club	Country Club
Yamamoto 1/2	A. W. da 1/2
Kitamura 0	Remedios 1 1/2
Ohno 1 1/2	E. D. da 0
Hayasaki 0	Urquhart 1
Takeda 1 1/2	Leah 0
Kyo-Watanabe 1	Sadick 0
Toujimir 1	A. E. Castro 0
Yamamoto 0	J. J. Basto 1 1/2
Takagaki 1/2	Lee 1/2
Saito 1 1/2	Silva 0
Matsumura 1 1/2	Suen 0
Ajito 1 1/2	Simoes 1/2
Kumihira 1 1/2	Leong 0
Kimura 1 1/2	B. Basto 1/2
Ko Watanabe 1 1/2	Alves 0
Mori 1 1/2	Anderson 0
12 1/2	5 1/2

FOURSOMES

Yamamoto and Kitamura 0, A. W. da Silva and Remedios 2. Ohno and Hayasaki 0, E. D. da Silva and Urquhart 2. Takeda and Watanabe 2, Leihao and Sadick 0. Hayasaki and Yamamoto 0, Castro and J. J. Basto 2. Takagaki and Saito 2, Lee and Silva 0. Matsumura and Ajito 2, Suen and Simoes 0. Kumihira and Kimura 0, Leong and B. Basto 2. Watanabe and Mori 0, Alves and Anderson 2. 6-10. Shatin 15 1/2, and Country Club 15 1/2.

"HONG" FOURSOMES AT KOWLOON

Draw Announced

The following is the draw for the First Round of the "Hong" foursomes of the Kowloon Golf Club to be played on or before Sunday next:

H.K. & Whampoa Dock Co. v. Police S.C. & A. Staff v. Dedwell & Co. Colsons Coy. v. Sanitary Dept. Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co. v. Naval Yard. The following have received byes into the second round: Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels v. Govt. Marine Surveyors Office. Hong Kong Electric Co. v. China Light & Power Co.

DORSETSHIRE BOXERS TO MEET MIDWAY

A fine programme of boxing has been arranged for Monday, March 2 at the China Fleet Club when boxers from H. M. S. Midway will meet a team from H. M. S. Dorsetshire. A. B. Pandy, well-known to local boxing fans, will be matched against A. E. Latham and a good fight should result.

ROMANCE OF DAUGHTER OF SUDAN HERO

Baroness A-M. Slatin
Engaged

FAMOUS FATHER WHO SERVED
BRITAIN UNDER GORDON

Baroness Anne-Marie Slatin, only child of the late Baron Sir Rudolf Slatin Pasha, famous for his exploits in the Sudan, is to be married.

It was recently announced that the Baroness, who lives at Pont-street, S.W., is engaged to Mr. Hans Henry Winterstein Gillespie, of Chester-terrace, Regent's Park. Baron Slatin Pasha was born near Vienna in 1857. Trained for a military career, he readily accepted the offer made in 1878 by General Gordon to join him in the Sudan, where he was made Governor of Darfur.

He was the last of General Gordon's governors to surrender to the Mahdi and when Khartoum fell, the Mahdists carried General Gordon's head to Baron Slatin Pasha and taunted him with it. Slatin Pasha was the only European officer to survive the horrors of captivity by the Dervishes, and for twelve years endured indescribable hardships and suffering in Omdurman before managing to escape to Aswan, which he reached after covering about 800 miles by camel and on foot.

He then placed his unrivalled knowledge of the Sudan and the Dervishes at the disposal of Kitchener, and thus he was able to play a big part in the final subjugation of the Dervishes at the Battle of Omdurman.

Thereafter he helped in the regeneration of the Sudan, holding the honorary rank of Major-general in the British Army.

As he was an Austrian, his connection with the Sudan had to be broken at the outbreak of the Great War, but with the return of peace the King restored to him the British honours and decorations which had been bestowed upon him.

He died in Vienna at the age of 75.

FAMOUS NAMES IN DIVORCE LIST

Lord de Clifford As
Co-respondent

Many well-known names figure in the divorce lists for the Hilary Term, which begins on January 13. Viscountess Lynton has an undefended suit for divorce from Viscount Lynton.

A wife's suit for the restitution of conjugal rights in the same list is that filed by the Hon. L. Akers Douglas against the Hon. A. Akers Douglas.

A husband's divorce suit, undefended, is listed as Burdett v. Burdett and Russell (commonly known as Lord de Clifford).

Viscountess Tirvinton has filed a suit for divorce from Viscount Tirvinton, which is not contested.

Lady Carnarvon

The Countess of Carnarvon appears in the undefended list, petitioning for a divorce from the Earl of Carnarvon.

Lady Orr Lewis has entered a petition for a judicial separation from Sir J. D. Orr Lewis. This case is in the defended list.

In the same list is the petition for divorce brought by Mrs. D. L. F. Mais against Mr. S. P. R. Mais, the author and broadcaster.

CHILE LEVIES TAX ON BACHELORS

Legal Appeal Lodged
By Catholic Priest

Santiago (Chile).—Should a priest of the Roman Catholic Church be compelled to pay the bachelors' tax when he has taken the vow of lifelong celibacy?

This is the issue to be decided in the Chilean Court of Appeals, which is to hear an action brought against the Board of Indirect Revenue by Father Bernardino Abaza, an army chaplain.

Father Abaza declares that it is only logical that priests should be exempt from the bachelors' tax because it was introduced to encourage men to marry.

AIRMAN'S ORDEAL

FORCED DOWN
IN THE HEART
OF ABYSSINIA

Suspected Of Being
Italian

ENGLISHMAN AND WIFE HURT
IN SECOND CRASH

Addis Ababa.—Capt. Charles Lloyd, who, with his wife crashed in their plane at Addis, 50 miles from Addis Ababa, on Christmas Day, arrived at the latter place by car five days later. Mrs. Lloyd was suffering from slight contusions but her husband was recovering from his injuries.

"We were making an air tour from the Sudan to Addis Ababa," Capt. Lloyd said. "Last Sunday we were forced down by magne-

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SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS BOOM IN UNITED STATES

Proving Profitable To
Many Actors

LEADING ACTRESS GROSSES
\$135,000 ON ONE TOUR

New York. A Shakespeare "boom" is now sweeping America. This revival of interest is not merely academic but extremely profitable to a number of leading actors.

Miss Katherine Cornell has just concluded a tour of the country in "Romeo and Juliet" with a party English cast.

During this tour Miss Cornell gave 232 performances as Juliet in 40 cities, travelled 24,000 miles across the American continent, and played to a total of \$135,000.

In a single week, at six different towns, Miss Cornell netted \$6,600. In a town such as Des Moines, Iowa, over 3,000 people jammed the auditorium for a single performance and paid \$1.65.

Miss Cornell is about to produce the play in New York, with the English actors Maurice Evans and Ralph Richardson as Romeo and Mercutio respectively.

Modernised Version

Other testimony to the popularity of Shakespeare is the long run under Theatre Guild auspices in New York of a modernised version of "The Taming of the Shrew," adapted and played by Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne.

The appearance of Miss Gladys Cooper in "Othello" and "Macbeth," and the forthcoming appearance, also in New York, of Leslie Howard in his own production of "Hamlet" and of Walter Huston in "Othello."

In addition, Miss Cornell is planning to revive "Macbeth" and "Antony and Cleopatra" again with her own company and under the direction of her husband.

BIG SOVIET ARCTIC PLANS

49 Expeditions This
Year

Leningrad.—A great attack on the Far North will be made by Soviet explorers this year.

The All-Union Arctic Institute is organising 49 scientific expeditions at a cost expected to amount to about \$333,000. Extensive geological surveys and prospecting will be carried out in the regions adjacent to the northern sea route across the "top of the world," according to the semi-official Tass Agency.

Several expeditions will prospect for coal on the Alzoi uplands (between the rivers Indigirka and Kolyma in Siberia) and on the Taimyr Peninsula.

One of the largest expeditions will study the White Sea herds of Greenland seals. Another is going to the Eniseisk region to organise the breeding of the muskrat, which is valuable for its fur.

Germany Limits Weight
OF WEDDING RINGS

Berlin. A limit has been fixed for the weight of wedding rings in Germany, and the amount of fine gold which they may contain, in a decree issued by the Control Department for precious metals.

The gold thus saved, it is added, can be used for other purposes. The traffic in old gold is also regulated for the first time.

GOWN SHOP RAIDED

A satin wedding gown was among \$25 worth of dresses stolen from a shop near Waterloo Station, which was raided last month for the second time in 14 days.

COAL EXPORT RECORD
FOR BRITISH PORT

About 6,400,000 tons of coal were shipped last year from Elyth, Northumberland—a record for the port.

New Guildford Cathedral

In spite of a certain amount of opposition in the diocese, the building of Guildford Cathedral is now to proceed. There is no doubt that the great bulk of opinion is behind the bishop in this matter.

At the Diocesan Conference recently concluded a motion to begin work on the foundations was carried by 362 against 24 votes.

The Archbishop of Canterbury will lay the foundation stone next July. The building fund already amounts to \$26,000.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

The Hand Is Quicker Than The Eye

By Walter R.
Brooks

THERE was a man named Bill Douglas who lived in the east seventies and was not of any special importance socially. But he had married the last debutante who came out at Fiere's before the depression and had a lot of bonds so he frequently made the society pages. But he didn't care much about that.

What he was really interested in was magic. Ever since he was in college he had spent a lot of money on apparatus for doing tricks and he had a pretty complete outfit even including six wands, a levitation outfit and a cabinet for sawing a woman in two. He was a member of the Society of American Magicians.

He was in demand at parties and benefits where he gave one-man shows that were as puzzling as anything you could see on the stage.

He had a butler named Fink whom he took along on these occasions to assist him. Fink had black hair and an impressive

face which made him a good assistant but he really thought all this magic a terrible bore though of course he didn't say so.

Well the trouble with Mr. Douglas was that he didn't realise that the home is not the place for magic. He was always trying

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "So Much Good," by Frank H. Shaw.

new tricks on his wife and he spent his evenings going over his repertoire or doing exercises to keep his fingers supple and after four years of finding rabbits in the toast dish and of cutting cards and of holding little boxes for him to shoot blank cartridges at Mrs. Douglas got sick of it.

And she said one morning after he had taken three hard boiled eggs out of her left ear "Bill I think I will go away for a while. I am about fed up with this stuff."

Why Pat said Mr. Douglas who really loved his wife I thought you enjoyed it and he absently-mindedly passed a cancer through the table. Tricks! said Mrs. Douglas bitterly. You think of nothing but tricks and I can't think why you ever married me in the first place.

But that was no trick said Mr. Douglas and Mrs. Douglas jumped up from the table and said furiously "O so that's the way you feel it all right then. And she wouldn't listen when Mr. Douglas explained that he hadn't meant what she thought he meant and she ran up and packed her things and went to her father's.

Well Mr. Douglas wrote and promised not to do any more tricks except on Sundays but Mrs. Douglas was stubborn and wouldn't even talk to him or the phone unless he would agree to stop doing tricks altogether. So then Mr. Douglas said All right I am not going to humble myself any more and he set up all his apparatus in the living room and spent his evenings at tricks and illusions with the butler. And every invitation he got to give a magic performance he took it.

But he was not really very happy. Then one evening he walked into the living room just after dinner and there sat a tall sinister black-bearded man in a white robe and turban. Mr. Douglas jumped and said Why where did you come from? but the man got up and just looked at him threateningly. Mr. Douglas rang for Fink but Fink only looked shocked and said he had never seen him before. Well that is very funny said Mr. Douglas for the door is locked and the bell didn't ring. But the man held up his hand and said I am Simon Magnus the magician. Dismiss your servant.

Then Mr. Douglas smiled and said O I see. For other magicians often came to call and discuss new illusions and he supposed this was some professional who had heard of some of his effects and wanted to learn how to produce them. So he dismissed Fink and said Well that was certainly a swell trick and I wish you'd tell me how you did it. But the man scowled and said I do not do tricks O false sorcerer I have come to warn you. Warn me! said Mr. Douglas.

Yes said the man for I am a real magician and one of a secret organisation of sorcerers whose headquarters is among the peaks of the Himalayas and we have decided that we can no longer tolerate the activities of mere tricksters like yourself who pass themselves off as magicians. Well said Mr. Douglas laughing. But I am also a member of an organisation the Society of American Magicians. Tricksters growled the man scowling who know nothing of the real Black Art. O said Mr. Douglas but are you telling me that there is any really supernatural magic? And he laughed again for he knew himself how to do the most mysterious tricks of the spiritualists.

There has been a good deal of misunderstanding on the scheme owing to the fact that the site on Stag Hill given by the Earl of Sgaw is outside the town. It is however in an area which is developing rapidly, and the intention is to make the cathedral both a religious and a social centre for the new housing district. The cathedral will be no farther from the railway station than the existing cathedral.

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EXHIBITION OF
CHINESE ARTSpecial Party From
GermanyENTHUSIASTIC VISITORS
ENTRANCED

London, To-day.

The party of German professors, who have arrived in London by specially chartered steamer to see the Exhibition of Chinese Art now open at Burlington House, is under the leadership of Dr. Cohn of the Berlin Art Museum, who lived for many years in China. It includes Professors Rousell and Oppenheim, of the Chinese Institute of Frankfurt, Robert Schmidt of the Schloss Museum, Berlin, which has lent several art treasures, and other specialists and collectors, and also a large number of ladies, conspicuous for their long hair and absence of make-up. The majority speak perfect English.

The galleries are crowded by the eager visitors, systematically studying the treasures case by case. All express unbounded admiration for the exhibits and the manner of display. All say: "It is almost too much. We shall never finish in four days."

The prehistoric bronzes cause the greatest admiration and the pictures next. Each German is allowed to spend only 10s. daily. Lyons have arranged a luncheon for them all together, but their other meals will be taken on the ship. On Friday morning they will make a tour of the sights of London and will leave for Germany in the evening.

The exhibition continues to be an unabated attraction. It has sold 40,000 tickets to school-children and 18,000 to the staffs of associations.

A Burlington House authority, interviewed by *Reuter*, said he was surprised China had not made more use of the exceptional publicity created by the exhibition. Dozens of enquiries had been received as to where one could obtain the canvas with which the walls and galleries are lined. Apparently no Chinese thinks it worth while to export it—*Reuter*.

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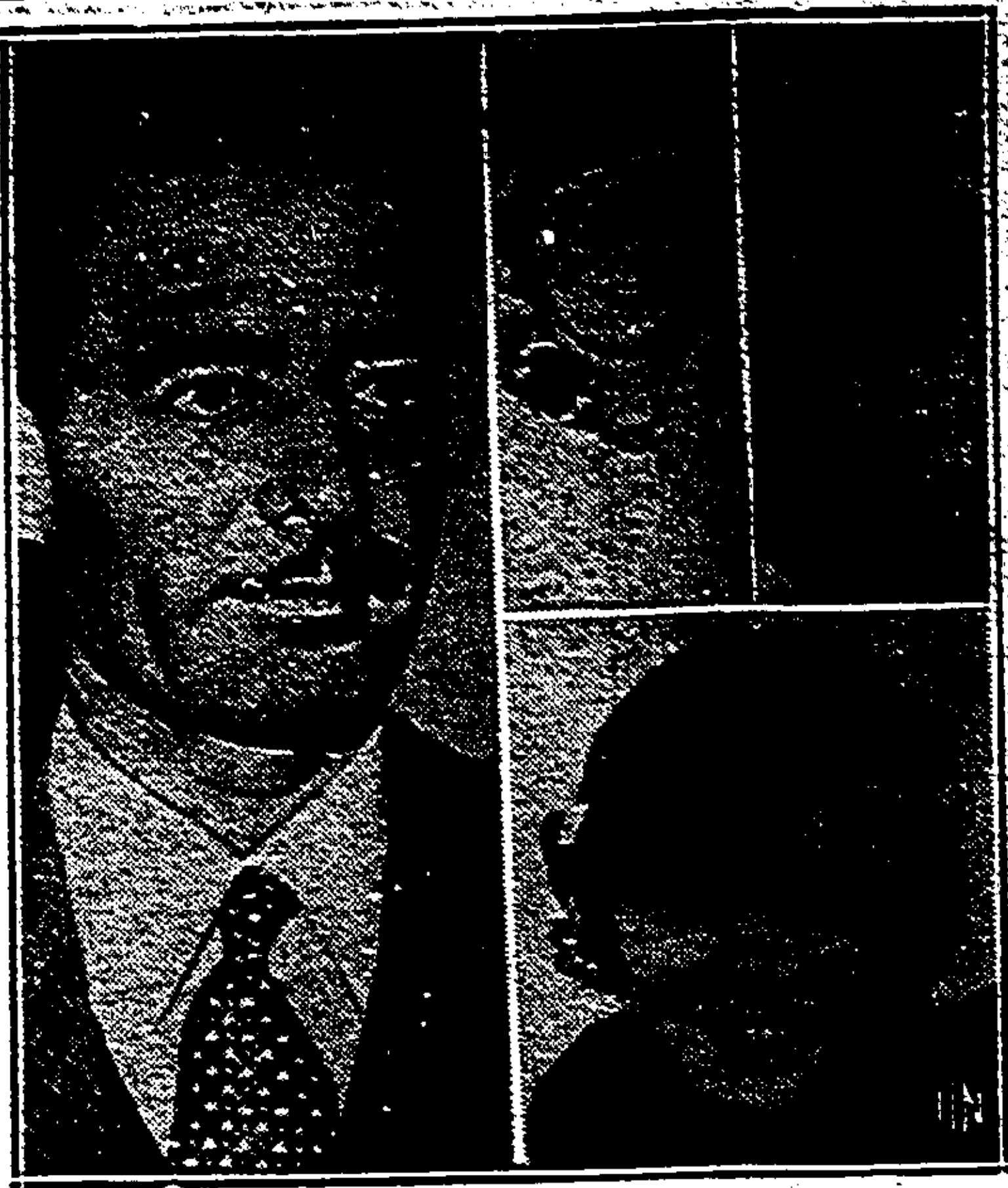
Bomb-proof defence to magazines, machinery spaces, inflammable stores, and all vital control stations will, it is understood, be a feature of the new British battleships which, according to present plans, are to be laid down twelve months hence.

Charges now being made that the Admiralty, in planning the new programme of construction to restore British naval strength, are ignoring or minimising the danger of air attack have no justification. What has been, and is still being, done to enable all future battleships and large cruisers to resist blows delivered from the air cannot yet be revealed.

When the time comes for disclosing the facts they will show that the naval authorities for years past have been fully alive to the new menace and the necessity for meeting it. The initial measure of strengthening the anti-aircraft armament of all big ships has already been taken.

ALLEGED THEFT OF
MOTOR-CAR10 Years' Ban On
Driver

John E. Withers, aged 25, of no fixed address, was deprived of his driving licence for 10 years by the Oldham magistrates recently. Fines totalling 50s. were imposed. It was stated that Withers drove a car at a reckless speed, ignored the signals, and knocked over a temporary signal and a night watchman. Withers was handed over to the Bury police on a charge of stealing a motor-car.



The great lover in private life as well as on the screen, John Gilbert (left), born Jack Pringle, who died of a heart attack last month at the age of 39, and three of his four wives: Leatrice Joy (top left), second; Ina Claire (top right), third; Virginia Bruce (bottom), fourth. His first wife was Olivia Burrwell, a non-professional.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

A tea party in honour of Dr. W. R. A. Moore, O.B.E., Serving Brother of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, is to be given by the St. John Ambulance Brigade this afternoon at 5.15 p.m. at the Gloucester Building.

In all 11,198 cases were attended to by the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch during January, including 137 maternity cases.

News has been received of the death on December 29, 1935, of Dr. G. H. Bateson Wright, D.D., former Headmaster of Queen's College from 1881 to 1908.

The total consumption of water in the City and Hill districts during the month of January was 303.39 million gallons, including 48.09 million gallons supplied from the mainland. Kowloon and New Kowloon consumed 184.98 million gallons during the same period.

The Police Branch of the Ministering League are holding their monthly Ladies Mah-jongg and Whist Drive at the Police Recreation Club at three o'clock this afternoon.

Dr. Arthur Woo, who is arranging for the reception of Mrs. Margaret Sanger when she visits Hong Kong next week, has called a meeting at the Chinese Merchants' Club at 7.30 this evening, to make arrangements.

An At Home was to have been held at the Government Civil Hospital to-day whereat Lady Southorn was to have presented certificates to graduate nurses. It is announced, however, that the function has been postponed.

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ROBBERY WITH
VIOLENCEFour Guardsmen
Charged

When four men of the 1st Bn. the Coldstream Guards were again remanded for a week at Windsor recently on charges of robbery with violence, they applied for legal aid. Each man was granted separate counsel. The men are: Cpl. Wilfrid Haswell (21), Guardsman Frederick Wilson (22), Joseph Coldicott (21), and Edward Marshall Lewis (19).

It was stated that Harold Bostfield, whom the soldiers are alleged to have attacked, was still in a critical condition.

SIR ALFRED BUTT ROBBED
OF £250

Le Touquet.—Sir Alfred Butt, M.P., who came to Le Touquet for Christmas and the New Year, reported to the police that an attempt was made to rob him of £250 in French and English money had been stolen from his hotel.

Mr. E. M. L. Soares was this morning fined \$30 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for driving private car No. 1783 in a dangerous manner in Des Voeux Road Central at 11.55 on the night of January 25, and was fined \$20 for driving the same car without a valid licence.

A dinner dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow at 8.30 p.m.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.62 inch. The total since January 1 has been 1.57 inches, as against an average of 1.85 inches.

"MELANCHOLY
TRUTH"Boys' Verdict On
Head Master

In his reminiscences of public schools Dr. Alington tells a pleasant story of Dr. Butler, one of his predecessors as Head Master of Shrewsbury.

"It is on record," he says, "that Butler once entered a schoolroom unexpectedly, to find on a blackboard the legend, 'Butler is an old fool!' The boys waited horror-struck for an explosion, but the Head Master approached the blackboard, eyed it carefully, and then said with a sigh, 'The melancholy truth stares me in the face.'"

ICE CARNIVAL
TRAGEDYWoman Dies After
Sudden Illness

A letter from the King with a 1915 date, notifying her that her son had been killed in the war, was found in the handbag of a woman who was taken suddenly ill at a New Year's Eve ice carnival at the Empire Pool, Wembley. She died shortly afterwards.

She was Mrs. Tannah Mary Ann Crick, aged 66, of Linden Avenue, Kensal Rise. An appeal was broadcast through the loudspeakers at the pool for any relative to come forward.

KING'S SYMPATHY EXPRESSED
TO MR. DE VALERA

London, To-day. His Majesty the King has asked the Irish Free State High Commissioner in London to express His Majesty's sympathy with Mr. De Valera in the death of his son Brian, following a riding accident in Phoenix Park, Dublin, on Sunday. The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, has also sent a message of condolence to Mr. de Valera—British Wireless Service.

RUGBY PLAYER MISSING

Hertfordshire police are trying to trace a noted local Rugby player, Owen Rees Davies, aged 24, son of Engineer-Capt. Rees Davies, of Hutton Bridge, near Watford.

CHINESE DOCTOR
CHARGEDAlleged Illegal
Practice

CASE AGAIN ADJOURNED

Lau Wai-man, a Chinese doctor, who was yesterday charged under the Medical Registration Ordinance with practising as a surgeon at No. 124 Shanghai Street and with possession of certain poisons, namely "novocaine," and also three hypodermic syringes, again appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the defendant and withdrew his client's plea made yesterday in respect of the first charge.

It appears that Chinese doctors practising the Eastern methods perform similar operations to the one defendant did on February 5.

Dr. Valentine Called

The only witness called this morning was Dr. Douglas James Valentine, who testified that, in the company of Detective-Sergeant Kinnear, he went to No. 124 Shanghai Street and on the first floor entered what might be called a surgery. He saw on the table a box containing "novocaine" and also three glass syringes and a box of hypodermic needles. There was a wooden table like an operation table and a considerable quantity of bandages and wool, scissors and surgical forceps.

Surgery Book Found

In another room, in the safe, the keys for which were produced by defendant, he found a stethoscope. In the office on the desk there was a book, the text of which was in Chinese, but on the front page in English was the title "Surgical Operations."

In answer to Mr. Hugh-Jones, Dr. Valentine said the operation of circumcision was done in special ways by different races and religions and that the custom was by no means confined to Europeans.

The case was adjourned to Monday morning, the Police officer being requested to consult the law officers, as a similar case occurred in the Colony some time ago.

GHOSTS WERE
SMUGGLERSCarrying Saccharine
And Flints

Budapest.

Two Hungarian frontier guards were startled at midnight to see 20 figures enveloped from head to foot in white shrouds, crossing from Austrian to Hungarian territory.

When the guards shouted to the "ghosts" to halt, they began to howl dismally and scattered into the snow-covered fields and woods. Behind them they left a score of bags containing 450lb. of saccharine and several thousand flints for automatic lighters.

BANDITS SHOOT
WOMAN£1,200 In Notes
Taken

Paris.

A woman cashier was shot in a car by bandits at St. Denis last month. They escaped with £1,200. Despite her wounds the woman struggled out to collect £150 in notes which they dropped on the roadway.

The woman Mme. Sinard, was motoring back to the factory where she is employed, accompanied by her manager, M. Bruet. The bandits stopped the car, and a shot fired at M. Bruet hit Mme. Sinard.

HAYANA HOUSE
COLLAPSEFive Killed And 18
Injured

Havana.—Five persons were killed and 18 were injured through the collapse of a three-story house undergoing reconstruction in Havana.

Seven of the injured were stated to be in a serious condition.

CLOCKS STOPPED TO LET
THE BUDGET PASS"Legal Fiction" Employed
To Meet Circumstances

Paris.

At a minute to midnight on December 31 last the clocks in the Chamber of Deputies were stopped so that, in theory, if not in fact, the French Parliament might pass the 1936 Budget before the end of the year.

The debate ended at 3.30 a.m. on January 1. The Budget was recorded as having been passed at midnight on December 31.

HAMADRYAD
LAYS CLUTCH
OF 25 EGGSUnusual Occurrence
At London ZooFIRST TIME EVER KNOWN
IN CAPTIVITY

A hamadryad or king cobra gave the Zoo a rare and unexpected New Year's present by laying a pile of eggs. This is the first time that a hamadryad has ever laid eggs in the menagerie.

The mother snake is a 10ft. specimen which arrived at the Zoo from Malaya a few days before Christmas and apparently she intends to do her best to hatch the eggs. The ordinary cobra does not incubate her eggs, but this king cobra at once proceeded to coil herself round the eggs and she now appears to have settled down to incubate them.

Keeper's Difficulty

Her temper has become so dangerously bad that the keeper had difficulty in providing her with bracken so that she could make herself comfortable. Although she tried to attack him for giving her this bedding, she has made use of it. The eggs appear to number about 25 and they are about the size of a bantam hen's eggs.

One complication is that there is another hamadryad in the cage and it is difficult to remove this second snake to other quarters. He cannot be persuaded to glide into the next-door cage because it is occupied by a 15ft. hamadryad who has already made it clear that she will not share her home with other hamadryads.

If he were removed by force the disturbance might irritate the mother snake. However, she does not appear to resent the presence of her companion and so far he has taken no notice of the nursery.

Snake-eating Snake

The hamadryad shares with the mamba of tropical Africa the distinction of being the most aggressive of all snakes.

It will not only attack human beings, but pursue them. Its venom, of which it injects a large dose, produces death in man in anything up to six hours. It is a cannibal and feeds on smaller snakes.

One sent to the Zoo some years ago was accidentally packed with several common cobras, most of which it devoured on the way.

FIGHT WITH EAGLE

Clawed And Knocked
Unconscious

Sherbrooke (Quebec).—In a desperate fight with an eagle at Sherbrooke, a French-Canadian, Armand Lemieux, was clawed about the face and head and knocked unconscious.

Lemieux was on his way to work with two companions when the eagle swooped down without warning and clutched her head in its claws. At the same time the bird tore at Lemieux's face with its beak.

The other man managed to beat off the eagle. Gunmen are now combing the woods to destroy the bird.

CHEMICAL BLAZE

Firemen wore smoke helmets and used a chemical engine to fight a blaze in a storeroom last month below a Bridgton chemist's shop.

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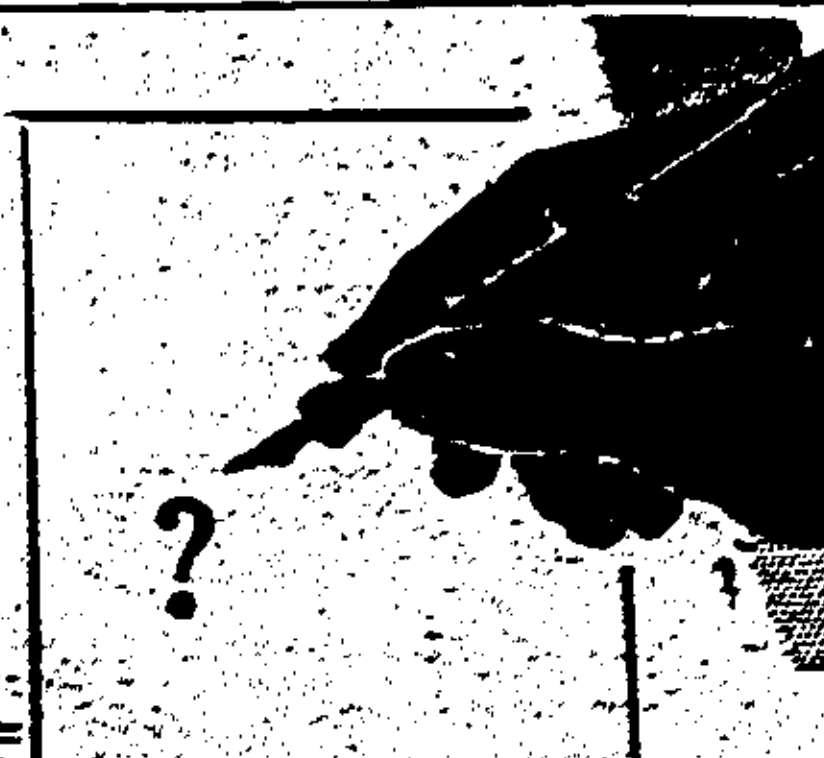
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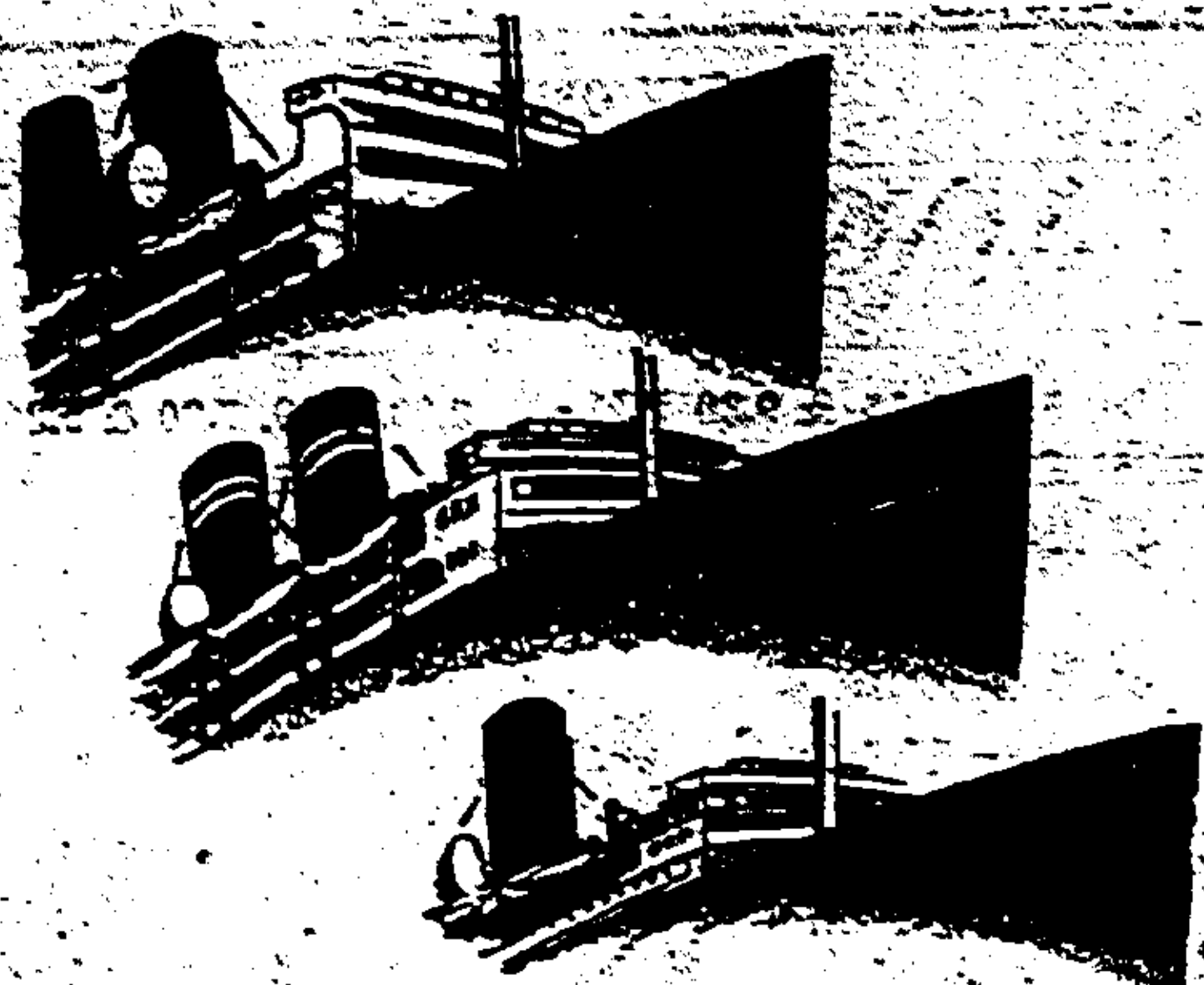
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International reverberations stirred by President Roosevelt's neutrality message in his congressional address confirmed his prediction that his words "would not prove popular in any nation that chooses to fit its shoe to its foot." Foreign sentiment in some sections was aroused by his statement that "autocracies" are "internal machines threatening the whole world." The eyes of the world focus upon the current battle in Congress over the Neutrality Bill introduced in the House by James McReynolds, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee; a bill opposed by Senator Gerald Nye, chairman of the Senate Munitions Committee, who protested against the discretionary power it gives the President to decide what war materials shall be included in any embargo imposed on warring nations.

America's Bid For Neutrality

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Early Isolation Policy

There is, however, another contributory factor which is based on far higher motives. Not in the United States only, but throughout the world, it has been borne in upon the consciences of men that the neutral country which grows rich by supplying belligerents with munitions of war is not engaged in a reputable commerce. The corollary is that no Government should run the risk of being involved in war for the protection of its war-producers. That feeling will be mobilised throughout the United States in support of the New Neutrality.

Again the Presidential election is now within view, and the President's broadcast was the first round fired in his re-election campaign. Automatically almost, the mind goes back to 1916, when President Wilson fought and won his re-election campaign on the slogan: "He kept us out of war." It was the West—for the East forsook him—which gave Wilson his victory; it is to the same West that Roosevelt is looking to-day.

One Purpose

His Neutrality Bill is based on one single, concentrated purpose, to keep the United States out of any general war that may conceivably develop out of the hostilities in East Africa. It is a high trump card for any election, and the Republicans, as in 1916, will probably slip a like one into their own hand to neutralise its effect in his.

Let me quote the President's own words:

"If I face it we must, then the United States and the rest of the Americas can play but one role: through a well-ordered neutrality to do naught to encourage the contest, through an adequate defence to save ourselves from embroilment and attack, through example and all legitimate encouragement and assistance to persuade other nations to return to the ways of peace and good will."

"Safety First"

This is the authentic voice of "Safety First," but how does it respond to conscience? How does it tally with the role for which President Roosevelt himself cast the United States when he took over in 1933—that of "The Good Neighbor"? Is "a well-ordered neutrality" enough in "a world distracted and ablaze"? Shall the U.S. fire-engine remain locked in the depot when the fire-bells are sounding? What are the boundaries of the Good Neighbor's parish? Are they strictly limited to "the Americas"?

Are not the Leaguers of Geneva now trying at long last to operate the doctrine of collective security against an aggressor's resort to "the law of the sword," almost deserving of a little active help in time of trouble? Are all belligerents to be lumped together as common breakers?

President Roosevelt has

abundantly proved himself a great-hearted, great-souled man; is it quite worthy of him to proclaim that, secure and remote in his "well-ordered neutrality," he will do no more in a general conflagration than impartially regulate his nationals' exports to the war-zone according to the normal purchases of the pre-war years?

New Generation

A new generation has grown up which knows nothing of the thrill which reanimated the camps of Freedom and Liberty when they first heard the peroration with which the President who had kept the United States out of the Great War solemnly—and proudly—notified their entry.

"The world must be made safe for Democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the tested founda-

SWAM TO SAVE WOMAN

One-Legged Rescuer Honoured

A one-legged man, Alfred Henry Brennan, a joiner, of Thurso, who went into the sea on his crutches, threw them away when he reached deep water and swam to the rescue of a woman, has been rewarded by the Carnegie Hero Fund Trustees.

The rescue was carried out at Thurso on September 19. A lifebelt was thrown to a bather in difficulties. She caught it, but as there was no life-line attached, she was carried out by the tide.

Mr. Brennan reached her when she was about 100 yards out. With only one leg and one free arm he brought her to shore. His crutches were washed out to sea. He has been given an honorary certificate, £15, and a guinea to buy new crutches.

RATTING BOOMS IN ESSEX

15,000 Destroyed In One Village

The Tending (Essex) Council recently tried to exterminate the large number of rats in the village.

They offered to pay 2d. for every rat tail they received. The result was that almost everyone became a rat-catcher. Fifteen thousand tails were sent in.

Mr. H. Campbell expressed the feelings of the council when he said: "I don't see why we should bear the expense for the benefit of people outside our district."

DEATH WITH ROSARY

Miss E. F. Paska, of Oklahoma, died last month, leaving a widow and two children.

tions of political liberty. We have no selfish ends to serve. We are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind. We shall be satisfied when those rights have been made as secure as the faith and the freedom of nations can make them."

President Wilson's noble words still survive the signal failure of their accomplishment. They are unaffected by the scorn and derision which out of the bitterness of disappointment and disillusion have been heaped upon them. Untarnished, because untarnishable, they are alive with the larger hope and faith of "man's unconquerable mind." In April, 1917, they acted magically as a Sursum Corda. The day will come, I believe, when they will do so again in the great country of their birth.

Impossible Ideal

Isolation—for the United States! In 1836—perhaps. In 1936, impossible. To draw back from the Philippines for strategic reasons is one thing; to disinterest herself in the fate of the world outside the Americas is another. "I believe," wrote Mr. Secretary of State Lansing, in March, 1917, "that our future influence in world-affairs, in which we can no longer refuse to play our part, will be materially increased by prompt, vigorous and definite action in favour of Democracy and against Absolutism."

Absolutism was temporarily knocked out in 1918 and Democracy—let us be candid with ourselves—lamentably failed to keep faith with the men who had died to save it. Absolutism has again raised its head in perhaps even more menacing forms, and Democracy may have its work to do all over again, though not I hope, at the same awful cost.

But where lies the chance of its avoidance except through the great idea of Collective Security which Europe accepted from President Wilson only to see it repudiated by President Wilson's own countrymen?

Futile Idea

It is futile to ask for what at this moment is politically impossible. This American Neutrality Law is a distinct turning away from the old League towards the old Isolation. Yet the sentiment which animates President Roosevelt's message is nobler than the practical conclusion in which it finds expression. Politics, as Lord Morley once reminded us, are never a choice between best and second best; the choice is more often lies between fourth, best and fifth.

Like all the rest of the world the President is bent on security. Yet, better than most, though not more so, I believe, than our own British Government, he knows that safety walks in the steps of justice, and that the Good Neighbor is he who lends a helping hand.

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The Hand Is Quicker Than The Eye

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And this time the tricks went all right but odd things began happening in the house. The first night they were mostly things that made him jump-like a cat on the dinner-table and screams and pistol shots in empty rooms and when he went in there would not be anybody there. And the guinea pigs came back. There was one in the bathroom and another in the pocket of his dressing gown and he even found two in his bed. Well he was pretty shaken by all this and next morning he talked to Fink about it. Fink said he hadn't heard any sounds but of course he had seen guinea pigs and he said I don't like it at all and that's the truth and don't you think perhaps sir you would be well advised to give up this performance? Nonsense Fink said. Mr. Douglas this is all our imagination there is no such thing as real magic. And at that minute there was a loud whistle and Mr. Douglas jumped and ran over to the sideboard and opened the door and there were six more guinea pigs. Yes sir said Fink. No doubt you're right sir and left the room quickly.

Mr. Douglas went out that evening and when he got home it was pretty late. He went into the livingroom and snatched on the light. Everything was still. He sighed and sat down and then got up again quickly for there was a hollow groan from the bedroom. A cold shiver went skittering down his backbone and just then came a knock at the diningroom door. He went and opened it and there on the threshold was a guinea pig. He would have slammed the door quickly but all at once a crashing of china came from the kitchen so he jumped over the guinea pig and flung open the kitchen door. At once the noise stopped and there was only darkness and silence.

Well he stood for a long minute getting up his courage and then he reached in and turned on the light and saw three more guinea pigs and a big pile of broken china on the floor. He turned and ran shuddering back into the livingroom but as soon as he got there the grunting broke out in the bedroom worse than ever and the chair he had been sitting in slowly turned its back to him and something sickeningly evil behind the doorway and there were a lot more guinea pigs all over the furniture and then his big magic cabinet jumped in the air and fell on its side with a scream.

Well this was too much for Mr. Douglas and he gave a yell and made a break for the front door but before he could get there all the lights except the little one over the piano went out and the bedroom door burst open and a terrible creature all in white and whistling like a guinea pig rushed at him and Mr. Douglas fell over in a dead faint.

As soon as he fainted Mrs. Douglas came out from behind the door and pulled off his white sheet and began chasing guinea pigs and George Haskett came in from the kitchen and began taking strings off the furniture. Pretty soon Fink came over and looked at Mr. Douglas and Mrs. Douglas said anxiously Is he all right? and Fink said Yes madam he'll come around in a minute or two.

Thank you Fink said Mrs. Douglas you were wonderful especially the little man with the long beard I should never have thought of that myself. Here's your 100 dollars and now get this cleaned up quickly. Thank you madam said Fink I shall be glad to be done with the guinea pigs and George Haskett tipped out after him just as Mr. Douglas opened his eyes and said Where am I?

Do your own home dear said Mrs. Douglas with all your nice magic things around you. Ugh magic said Mr. Douglas shuddering and then he sat up and said Why how did you get here? Why darling said Mrs. Douglas it was terribly strange a little man with a long beard came to father's and said I must come to your house and he came right over. Come dear said Mrs. Douglas see your magic things are all here. But Mr. Douglas groaned and then he jumped up suddenly and opened the window and began hearing his magic things out into the street. He had them all even the trumpet with eight secret pockets. At that the old man came along in the morning and carted them away. And Mr. Douglas gave all his magic books to the Sailors' Spung Harbour and never even so much as palmed a nickel again.

[The End]

ACTRESS FOUND GASSED

Pet Dog Dead Beside Her

A verdict of found gassed was returned at the inquest at Oxford recently on Mrs. Emily Grace Riley, aged 75, a former actress, who was found dead in bed on Christmas morning with her pet dog dead beside her. She was the widow of H. P. Riley, an actor, who played with Sir Henry Irving.

The jury added that there was no evidence to show how the tap of a gas stove became turned on.

Servant's Evidence. A domestic servant said that she discovered the tragedy when she took up breakfast on Christmas morning. Her mistress had been cheerful on Christmas Eve and discussed with her the arrangements for Christmas Day. Mrs. Riley always had the pet dog in the bedroom.

A police constable stated that when he found Mrs. Riley she had a towel round her head, and the maid recalled that Mrs. Riley always slept with a towel like that.

BOBBERS GO FOR CLOTHES

Cut Hole In Roof And Ceiling

Robbers climbed on to a roof in Wilton-road, Victoria, during the night, ripped off some slates, cut a hole in a ceiling, and dropped into the stock room of an outfitter's shop.

They collected slates, ties, collars and socks worth about £200 and left.

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RAGPES BURNED

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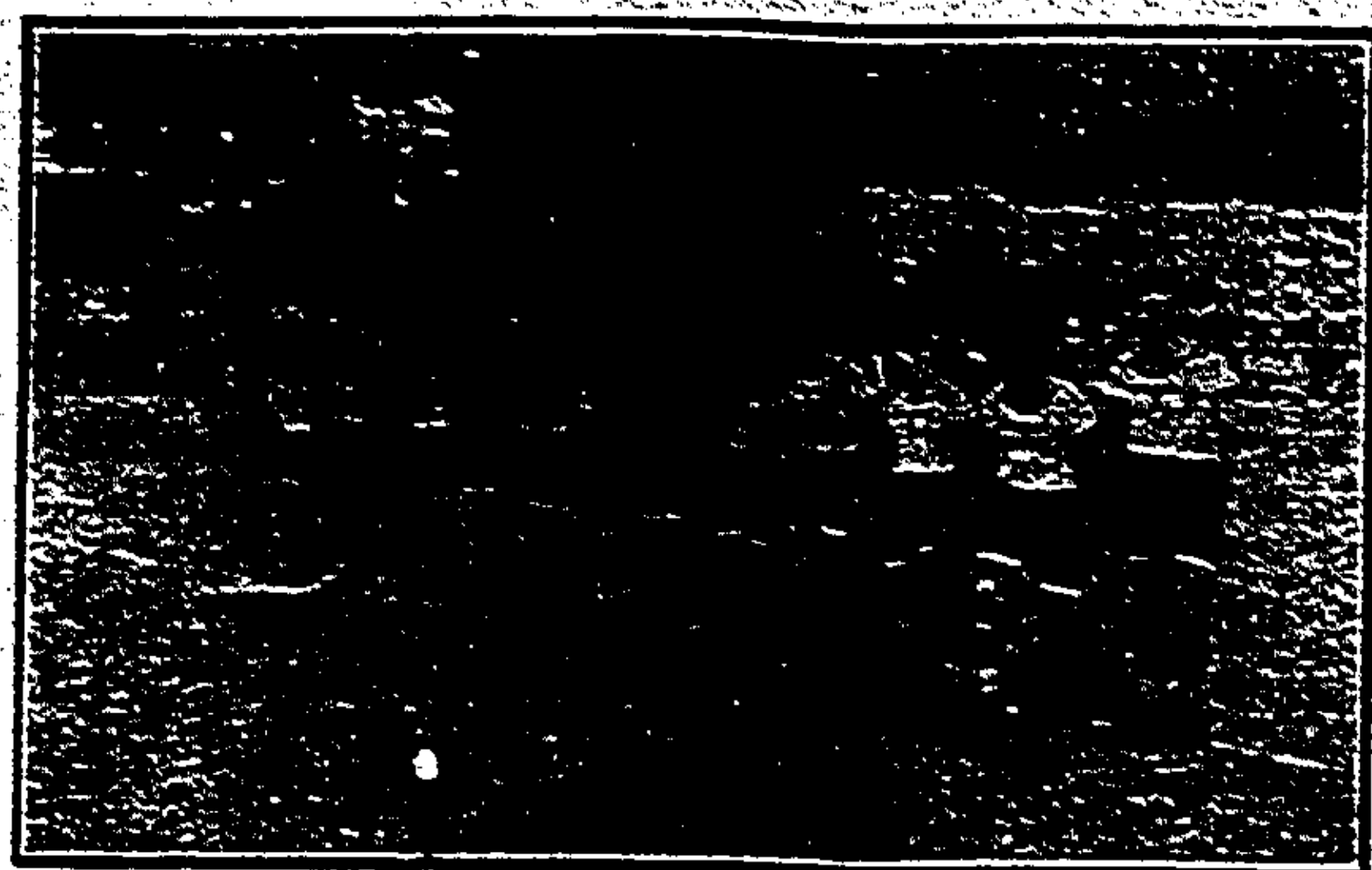
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The football team from the German cruiser Karlsruhe photographed before their match last Saturday against H.M.S. Dorsetshire at Happy Valley.

DISORDERS IN POLAND

Nationalists Clash With Police

THREE PEOPLE KILLED BY GUNFIRE

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Warsaw, To-day. Serious disorders took place in Konin, when the public seriously made an attempt to prevent the police from arresting the ring-leaders responsible for the Nationalist rioting during the last few days.

The mob attacked the police with such violence that the latter were compelled to make use of firearms, with the result that three persons were killed and several wounded.

Owing to the increased activities of the prohibited Nationalist Youth Organisation, "National Radical Camp," a number of arrests and house-searches were also made in Warsaw, the offices of the Nationalist trade unions being among the premises searched. —Trans-Ocean Service.

CONDUCTOR IN ACCIDENT

Minor Injuries Sustained

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Milan, To-day. The well-known composer and conductor, Dr. Hans Pfitzner, was involved yesterday in a violent collision between the taxi in which he was travelling and an electric street-car.

The side of the taxi was completely crushed, but Dr. Pfitzner fortunately escaped with cuts in the head and hands, which however are luckily not described as serious. —Trans-Ocean Service.

LANGUAGES IN BELGIUM

Situation The Same As In 1910

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Brussels, To-day. A census of the languages spoken in Belgium shows that the situation is still the same as at the last report, in 1910, despite all the efforts made by the Flemish-speaking population during the last 20 years to promote the Flemish language at the cost of the French.

The number of persons, however, who speak both languages has increased, it being now 13.3 instead of 12.74 per cent. as in 1910. —Trans-Ocean Service.

SOUTH COAST STORM

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London: Winds of gale force swept the country yesterday, gusts of 70 miles an hour being reported. Extreme cold prevails and the weather forecasts predict its continuance for several days.

There were heavy seas in the English Channel. Two seamen lost their lives yesterday morning, when the barge in which they were being towed broke loose near Plymouth and sank. The services between the Isle of Wight and the mainland were interrupted. The night cross-Channel service from Folkestone and Dunkirk has been cancelled. Air services have been delayed. Several home-bound liners have also been held up. The gale also caused damage and many minor accidents over a wide area inland. —British Wireless Service.

STAMP ISSUE PROPOSED

Automobile Jubilee Celebration

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day. The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the German automobile will be marked by the German Postal Department by the issue of two new stamps on February 15, the opening day of this year's Automobile and Motorcycle Show.

The 6-pfennig stamp will bear a picture of Gottlieb Daimler, and the 12-pfennig stamp that of Carl Benz.

The issue of these stamps, which can be used for foreign correspondence, is strictly limited. —Trans-Ocean Service.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN GERMANY

Position Practically The Same

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day. The German unemployment situation remained practically unchanged in January, the official returns showing that the number of persons out of jobs lessened in the course of the month by roughly 12,000, to a total of 2,252 million, which is 453,000 better than the figure for the same period of the preceding year. —Trans-Ocean Service.

ZANZIBAR RIOTS

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London: An official telegram received at the Colonial Office from Zanzibar states that there is no truth whatever in the report that 75 Arabs who participated in the recent rioting were imprisoned in the hold of a Government steamer. The casualties among the rioters were four killed or died of wounds and two wounded.

There are 14 persons at present under arrest. Normal conditions are gradually being restored. The casualties among officials and the police were two dead and 13 injured. —British Wireless Service.

"KARLSRUHE" VISIT

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Friday: Sailing regatta, Karlsruhe-Dorsetshire, 9.30 a.m. Inspection of the cruiser by foreigners, 4.30 to 6 p.m.

Saturday: Reception on the cruiser for all Germans and invited foreign guests, 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.; Swimming in the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 9 p.m.

Sunday: Sports, German Tennis Club, Kowloon, 9 a.m.; Sports, Kowloon Football Club, 10 a.m.; Rifle shooting, Seven Miles Beach, 2 p.m.; Farewell Party in the German Club, 8 p.m.

SERVANT GIRL'S THEFT

Likely To Become "Public Danger"

A plausible young thief, who, if she continued, would become a great public danger, was the description given by Mr. Harold McKenna, the Marylebone magistrate, of Mary MacKinnon, alias MacKinnon, aged 21, a perjuror from Glasgow, whom he sentenced to three months' hard labour. MacKinnon was found guilty of stealing a registered letter containing 25 sh., delivered at the house of her employer, Mr. Sidney Arthur, leader, a surgeon, of No. 84, Wimpole-street, W.

GEN. DOIHARA INTERVIEWED

"Advisers" To Be Appointed

FUTURE POLICY IN HOPEI AND CHAHAR

Peiping, To-day.

Major-General Doihara declared that the report which appeared in the foreign press of his being appointed a High Adviser to the Hopei and Chahar Political Council, was absolutely groundless, when interviewed by the Central News yesterday. He admitted that several Japanese would be appointed as advisers to the Council in the near future.

Regarding the "East Hopei Autonomy Political Council," General Doihara concluded that this organisation conflicted much with the Hopei-Chahar Political Council in principle, and these two councils could by no means get into close touch.

General Doihara is expected to stay in Peiping for one month. —Central News Agency.

GEN. CHANG'S RETURN

Due In Singapore On Saturday

Nanking, To-day.

Returning from a tour in Europe, General Chang Chiang, Director of the National Boxing Institute, cabled to his friends in Nanking yesterday saying that he is leaving Singapore by the a.s. Conte Verde and will arrive in Shanghai on Saturday. —Central News Agency.

NETHERLANDS MINISTER TO CHINA

Nanking, To-day.—Baron Vos van Steenwijk, Netherlands Minister to China, arrived here yesterday morning from Shanghai. He will make an official call on Mr. Chang Chun at the Waichiaopu next Thursday. —Central News Agency.

GERMAN ECONOMIC MISSION IN N. CHINA

Shanghai, To-day.—Dr. Otto Kiep and Mr. Rosenberg, the head and a member of the German Economic Mission to the Far East respectively, proceeded to Nanking yesterday by train. It is learned that after a brief sojourn in the capital, they will continue their investigation tour in North China. —Central News Agency.

SIR FREDERICK LEITH-ROSS COMING SOUTH

Shanghai, To-day.—Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, Financial Adviser to the British Government, will leave for South China shortly to continue his investigations. He expects to return to Shanghai again before returning to England. —Central News Agency.

NOTHING IMPORTANT ON EITHER FRONT

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with the League sanctions against Italy, said that the assistance was given in view of the exceptionally heavy loss of exports, to the extent of over one-fifth of her total exports, which Yugoslavia was likely to suffer as a result of applying sanctions.

The Government had felt bound to accede to the Yugoslav application for assistance out of respect for the British obligations under Article XVI of the League Covenant.

As regards possible requests for assistance from other countries, Captain Wallace said he could make no definite statement, except to repeat that Yugoslavia had exceptionally strong claims in the matter. —British Wireless Service.

One Of Series

It was one of a series of thefts at the house, as a result of which the rest of the staff had been discharged. When questioned by Detective Ogden about the registered letter, MacKinnon signed a statement saying she kept the letter and spent the contents. She wanted clothes, she stated. MacKinnon had been bound over and sentenced to two terms of one month and one of three months for theft. Most of the convictions were in Glasgow.

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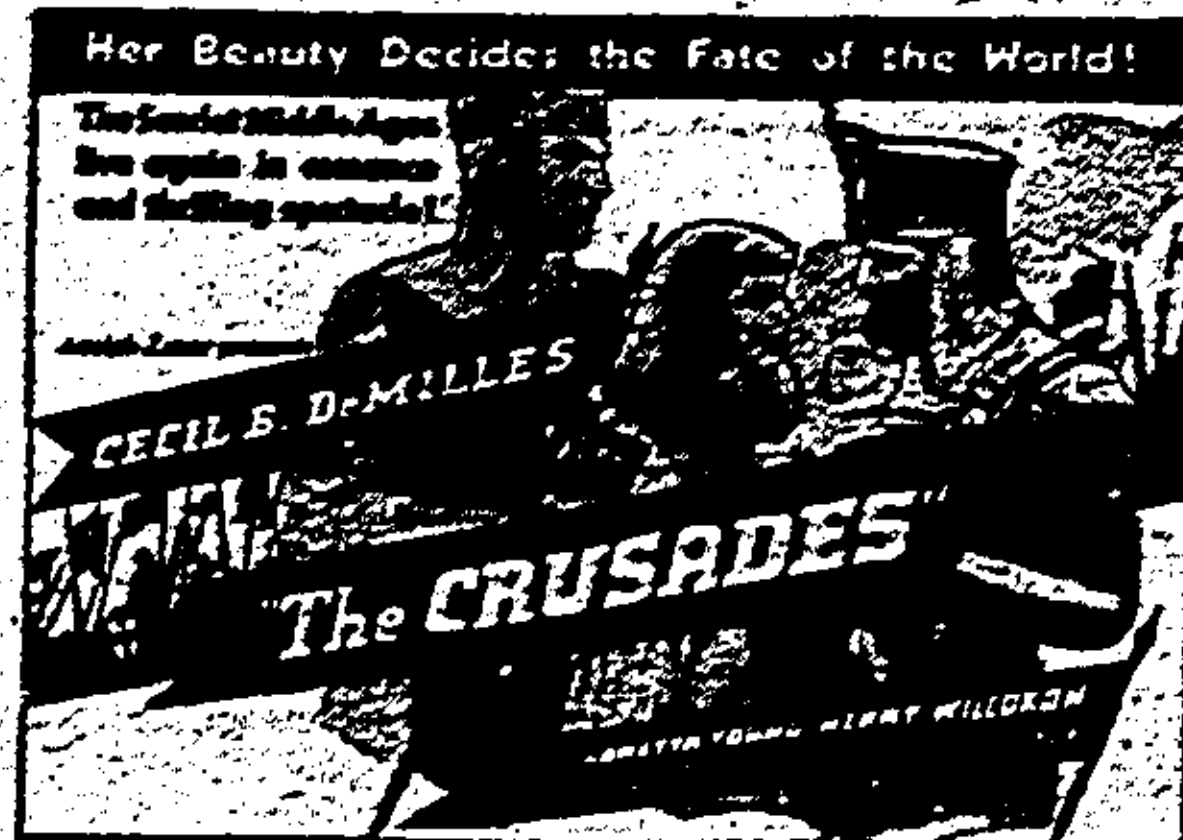


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